

28 as part of his ongoing effort to encourage more Utahns to be energy conscious and adopt
29 energy efficiency and conservation measures;

30 WHEREAS, Utah joins the Federal Government and states across the nation to bring
31 attention to the importance of using energy wisely at home and at the office, highlighting the
32 theme of Energy Independence Depends on US - Choose Wisely, Use Wisely;

33 WHEREAS, Utah is a member of the United States Environmental Protection Agency
34 Clean Energy-Environment State Partnership Program;

35 WHEREAS, as a member of the program, Utah receives technical assistance and
36 recognition as an emerging leader in advancing clean energy, including energy efficiency,
37 while achieving economic benefits and health and environmental protection for Utahns;

38 WHEREAS, Utah's efforts in energy efficiency stand as a model for other states to
39 emulate;

40 WHEREAS, Governor Huntsman has stated, "We all must do our part at every
41 opportunity to make our lives more energy efficient in our homes, our cars, and where we
42 work. Changing a lightbulb is just the beginning of changing our energy use habits";

43 WHEREAS, Utah has committed to increasing energy efficiency by 20% by 2015, and
44 collaboration, education, and awareness will play a critical role in reaching this goal;

45 WHEREAS, energy efficiency and renewable energy technologies are vital to helping
46 the nation become more energy independent, and Utah can play a key role in that initiative;

47 WHEREAS, all Utahns are encouraged to take simple steps to be more energy efficient,
48 which will save money on energy bills, improve the environment, and reduce dependence on
49 finite fossil fuels; and

50 WHEREAS, many simple energy efficient measures can yield great results:

51 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah
52 expresses support for the Governor's challenge to the state and its citizens to increase energy
53 efficiency by 20% by 2015.

54 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature urges collaboration between the
55 State, utilities, regulators, and other stakeholders to advance energy efficiency in all sectors of
56 Utah's economy.

57 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature urges the citizens of Utah to assess
58 their uses of energy and implement a plan to increase their energy efficiency by 20% by 2015.

59 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to Utah's natural
60 gas and electrical utilities, the Utah Department of Transportation, the Utah State Office of
61 Education, the Utah Board of Regents, the Utah Department of Natural Resources, the Utah
62 Department of Environmental Quality, and the Utah Public Service Commission.

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State Impact

Enactment of this bill will not require additional appropriations.

Individual, Business and/or Local Impact

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs and/or benefits for individuals, businesses, or local governments.

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